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1. EMBASSY AGREES WITH DEPARTMENT'S SUGGESTED ADDITIONAL STATEMENT IN CASP DECISION MEMORANDUM. EMBASSY WOULD ADD TO FIRST SENTENCE OF SUGGESTED STATEMENT SO THAT IT WOULD READ

"...GOP POLICIES AND METHODS

UNDER MORALES WILL BE LESS RADICAL AND MORE PRAGMATIC THAN UNDER VELASCO." WE WOULD ALSO REVERSE CONTINGENCIES CITED IN LAST SENTENCE SO THAT IT READS: "AMONG THESE POSSIBILITIES ARE: MORALES BERMUDEZ MIGHT PROVE TO BE MORE RADICAL THAN HE NOW APPEARS TO BE; AN ARMY OFFICER MORE RADICAL THAN MORALES BERMUDEZ MIGHT SEIZE POWER."

2. EMBASSY CONSIDERS TRAINING PROGRAMS AND EXPOSURE TO U.S. REALITIES OF VALUE IN THE EFFORT TO COUNTERACT ANTI-U.S. BIAS ENGENDERED BY MEDIA AND OFFICIAL ENVIRONMENT HERE. WE SHOULD REMEMBER, HOWEVER, THAT SOME OF OUR FOREMOST CRITICS, SUCH AS CARLOS DELGADO OF SINAMOS, WERE TRAINED IN THE U.S. WE ARE CURIOUS ABOUT DOD PROPOSAL TO TRAIN PERUVIAN CIVILIANS AND ABOUT CONTENT OF ACTION PLAN FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING OF MILITARY OFFICIALS.

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3. RE DISCREET U.S. ASSISTANCE TO TRADE UNIONS, FORMER AIFLD SPECIAL PERU PROGRAM HAS BEEN TERMINATED AND AIFLD REPRESENTATIVE IN LIMA WITHDRAWN. CURRENT REGIONALLY-FUNDED PROGRAM IS MINIMAL BUT NEVERTHELESS SYMBOLIZES CONTINUED INTEREST OF U.S. LABOR MOVEMENT IN WELFARE OF PERUVIAN DEMOCRATIC TRADE UNIONS.

4. PRESS HAS ALREADY GIVEN BROAD COVERAGE (REPRODUCED FROM U.S. PUBLICATIONS) TO CHARGES THAT CIA CONTROLS APRA UNIONS THROUGH AIFLD CONNECTION. APRA UNION PUBLICLY DEFENDED AIFLD TRAINING PROGRAMS POINTING OUT THAT MILITARY AND OTHER CIVILIANS HAVE TRAINED IN U.S. WITHOUT BECOMING TAINTED OR CONTROLLED. SHOULD GOP DECIDE TO PILLORY US ON THIS ISSUE IT WILL DO SO IRRESPECTIVE OF CURRENT LOW LEVEL ASSISTANCE (OF WHICH IT IS ALMOST CERTAINLY AWARE).

5. FLUID TRADE UNION SITUATION, FOR EXAMPLE THE CURRENT BROUHAHA BETWEEN COMMUNIST AND GOVERNMENT UNIONS OVER CONTROL MARCONA MINE, MAKES IT FAR FROM CERTAIN THAT GOP NOW CONSIDERS QUIESCENT APRA UNIONS AS CONSTITUTING MAJOR "OPPOSITION." THERE ARE SOME SIGNS OF APRA COOPERATION WITH GOVERNMENT UNION. RETENTION OF MINIMAL REGIONAL AIFLD PROGRAM MAY ALSO AFFORD OPPORTUNITY TO EXPOSE GOVERNMENT UNION TYPES TO U.S. EXPERIENCE, THUS CONCEIVABLY DILUTING THEIR CURRENT ANTI-U.S. BIAS.

6. EMBASSY CONSIDERS THAT, GIVEN LONG-TERM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, THE ABRUPT TERMINATION OF ALL AID WOULD LIKELY BE AN ADDITIONAL ELEMENT OF DISCOURAGEMENT FOR RESPONSIBLE NON-COMMUNIST LABOR MOVEMENT UNCOMPENSATED FOR BY ANY POLITICAL BENEFIT FOR U.S. NEITHER SHOULD PROGRAM EXPAND; THAT MIGHT WELL LEAD TO ADVERSE GOP REACTION. IN FACT, IN-COUNTRY ACTIVITY COULD EVEN DECLINE SOMEWHAT OVER YEAR AS INTERNATIONAL TRADE SECRETARIATS EVALUATE MERITS OF PROGRAM IN PERU VERSUS OTHER COUNTRIES WHERE CONDITIONS ARE MORE PROPITIOUS. OUR VIEW IS THAT IN-COUNTRY PROGRAM SHOULD GRADUALLY WIND DOWN WHILE SOME EXPANSION TAKES PLACE IN MORE OPEN AND CLEARLY DEFENSIBLE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE ASPECTS OF TRADE UNION INTERCOURSE. WE PLAN TO PERIODICALLY REEVALUATE PROGRAM ON THAT BASIS.

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